IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. When strikethrough cannot easily be perceived, or when five or fewer characters are deleted, [[double brackets]] are used to show the deletion. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 3, 12, 14, 16, 20 and 22-24 and ADD new claim 25 in accordance with the following:

1.   (CANCELLED)

2.   (CANCELLED)

3.   (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A commodity retrieval method in a commodity sale transaction via a network, the method comprising:

displaying items for a plurality of objects of use of commodities on a user's terminal;

preparing a table indicative of correspondence between the objects of use and specifications required to attain the commodities;

acquiring a specification corresponding to at least one object of use selected by a user via the terminal from the table;

retrieving the commodities based on the acquired specification as a retrieval condition; and

displaying, on the terminal, information on a commodity having specifications corresponding to the selected object of use <u>without requiring the user's knowledge of</u> <u>specifications corresponding to the at least one object of use selected by the user</u>.

4.   (ORIGINAL) The commodity retrieval method according to claim 3, wherein the network is Internet.

5-11 (CANCELLED)

12.   (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer apparatus acting as a server that provides a commodity sale transaction site on Internet, the computer apparatus executing a